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City to Dedicate Sculpture Garden Monday

The City of San Marcos and the San Marcos arts community will dedicate the new Sculpture Garden located at the Activity Center, 501 E. Hopkins, on Monday, Oct. 25 at 5:30 p.m.

The public is invited to attend and enjoy the first sculptures featured in the outdoor exhibit.

Mayor Susan Narvaiz, City Council Members, the City's Arts Commission, community partners and local artists will unveil some of the new sculptures that are being installed in the garden.

The Sculpture Garden grand opening fulfills a long held dream beginning in 1998 when the Convention and Visitors Bureau and its Arts Sculpture Park Committee committed the first \$11,000 to develop an outdoor sculpture garden and to begin acquiring art.

Since then, the project has been embraced by the San Marcos Area Arts Council, the City's Arts Commission, the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, and the Community Services Parks & Recreation staff. Also contributing to the project are the National Endowment for the Arts, the San Marcos Heritage Association, Texas State University Department of Art & Design, Marty and Mary Mikel Stump, Roger Colombik, Linda Kelsey-Jones and Bryn & Associates Engineering.

City staff who worked on the project include Rodney Cobb, William Ford, Lisa Morris, Ken Claybourn and Harold Perkins.

The City contracted with Luck Partners to develop a landscaping plan and a Memorial Tree Garden. Construction was completed in July 2010 and the installation of sculptures began in September, with completion by the end of the year.

Featured sculptures include *Caryatids* by Kate Ritson, *Haiku* by Vickie Gilstrap, and *de la cuna* by Albert Tamez. The Sculpture Garden will also feature temporary exhibits.

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